

HOUSE BILL 1785

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 5-17-103, relative to the county fire chief.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 5-17-103, is amended by adding the following as a new appropriately designated subsection:

() In any county having a population of not less than eight hundred thousand (800,000), according to the 2000 federal census or any subsequent federal census, the county fire chief shall be appointed by the county mayor, subject to confirmation by the county legislative body. The county mayor and legislative body shall ensure that the views and opinions of all participating governmental entities are given full consideration in the selection of said fire chief, with the exact methodology to be determined by local ordinance.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007, the public welfare requiring it.